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Sir:

This is a request for filing an

☐ Original  
☐ Continuation  
☒ Divisional  
☐ Continuation-in-part

application under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b), in the name of

Benjamin N. Eldridge, Gary W. Grube, Igor Y. Khandros, Gaetan L. Mathieu

(Names of ALL Applicants)

for ELECTRICAL CONTACT STRUCTURES FORMED BY CONFIGURING A FLEXIBLE WIRE TO HAVE A SPRINGABLE  
SHAPE AND OVERCOATING THE WIRE WITH AT LEAST ONE LAYER OF A RESILIENT CONDUCTIVE MATERIAL,  
METHODS OF MOUNTING THE CONTACT STRUCTURES TO ELECTRONIC COMPONENTS, AND APPLICATIONS  
FOR EMPLOYING THE CONTACT STRUCTURES

(Title of Invention)

This Continuation X divisional continuation-in-part

claims priority to pending application Serial No. 08/452,255, filed on May 26, 1995

1. Enclosed is a

(a) ☐ New application.  
(b) ☐ Enclosed is a continuation-in-part application.  
(c) ☒ Enclosed is a copy of the prior application.

2. (a) ☐ Enclosed is a new Declaration and Power of Attorney.  
(b) ☒ Enclosed is a copy of the prior Declaration as originally filed.

3. ☒ The filing fee is calculated below:

Claims as filed in the prior application, less any claims canceled by amendment below:

	(Col. 1) NO. FILED	(Col. 2) NO. EXTRA	SMALL ENTITY RATE FEE	OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY RATE FEE
<b>BASIC FEE</b>			\$355	\$710
TOTAL CLAIMS	31 - 20 =	11	x 9 = \$	x 18 = \$ 198
INDEP CLAIMS	4 - 3 =	1	x 40 = \$	x 80 = \$ 80
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM PRESENTED			+135 = \$	+270 = \$
If the difference in Col 1 is less than zero, enter "0" in Col. 2			TOTAL \$	TOTAL \$ 988

4. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, including extension fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0285 (Order No. P3D4-US).
5. ☐ Our check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed.
6. ☒ Cancel in this application original claims 1-49, 60-324, 346-374 of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. (At least one independent claim must be retained for filing purposes.)
7. ☒ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

--This is a ☐ continuation ☒ divisional ☐ continuation-in-part

of application Serial No. 08/452,255 filed May 26, 1995.--

8. (a) ☐ Informal drawings are enclosed.  
(b) ☒ Formal drawings are enclosed.
9. (a) ☐ Priority of application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_ filed on \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_ is claimed under 35 U.S.C. 119.  
(b) ☐ The certified copy has been filed in prior application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_ filed on \_\_\_\_\_.
10. ☒ The prior application is assigned of record to FormFactor, Inc.
11. ☒ The power of attorney in the prior application is to:  
Name: Stuart L. Merkadeau, Esq.  
Address: FormFactor, Inc.  
5666 La Ribera Street  
Livermore, California 94550
- (a) ☐ The power appears in the original papers in the prior application.  
(b) ☐ Since the power does not appear in the original papers, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.  
(c) ☒ A new power has been executed and is enclosed.


(d) X Address all future communications to:

FormFactor, Inc.  
Legal Department  
5666 La Ribera Street  
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Telephone: 925-294-4300

12. \_\_\_ A preliminary amendment is enclosed. (Claims added by this amendment have been properly numbered consecutively beginning with the number next following the highest numbered original claim in the prior application.)
13. X I hereby verify that the attached papers are hereby incorporated herein by reference to be a true duplicate of prior application Serial No. 08/452,255 as originally filed on May 26, 1995.

Date: December 21, 2000

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

  
Stuart L. Merkadeau  
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